REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	30 January 1996
Name of applicant/court:	Comptroller of Customs
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Open Door 17
Other Known Titles:	Open Door No 17
Director:	Not Applicable
Producer:	Not Applicable
Publisher:	Staviss Foto Film & Video-Produktion
Author:	Not Applicable
Format:	Magazine
Country of Origin:	Switzerland
Language:	German, French, Spanish, Dutch, English

Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature:	Running time:
Trailers:	Running time:
	Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reasons(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

Section 14 of the NZBR Act does apply to this publication and limitations on its availability must be reasonably justified. *Open Door 17* presents explicit images of women engaged in sexual activity with men and other women for the benefit of a male readership. In terms of Section 3(3) of the Act, the Classification Office has given significant weighting to the extent and degree to which and the manner in which the magazine is consistently degrading, dehumanising and demeaning to women. The dominant effect is of graphic displays of women's vaginas, and images of women being penetrated and ejaculated over. The manner of these images represents by implication that women are inferior to men. The availability of the magazine is likely to be injurious to the public good. It is therefore objectionable.

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